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Subject: Re: Package of material from Hinduism Today for IQC commissioners

> On Feb 15, 2015, at 1:21 PM, Acharya Arumuganathaswami <ar@hindu.org> wrote:
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> Namaste and greetings,
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> You will each receive by mail an envelope from us containing printed material which is part of our submitted testimony to the IQC for the History-Social Science Framework review process. (I realize, Dean, that you are not part of that subcommittee, but thought the material might interest you anyway.) We had already handed out much of this material in person to the other committee members at the December meeting when we testified.
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> There are three items: The History of Hindu India book by the editors of Hinduism Today and Dr. Shiva Bajpai; an academic paper, "Teaching of Hinduism in the California State School System: Evaluation and Recommendations" by myself and Dr. Bajpai; and our edits submission for the 6th grade section on India in the draft Framework.
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> As well, there is a card to take you to our YouTube video based on the book which the 6th grade timeframe for India, <http://www.himalayanacademy.com/readlearn/hindu-history>. It has recently passed a quarter million hits for all versions (English narration, plus subtitled Spanish, Hindi, Tamil, French, Indonesian).
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> You can also view the Hindu testimony at the December 18th meeting here:
<http://www.himalayanacademy.com/blog/taka/2015/01/30/hindu-testimony-at-californias-department-of-education/>.
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> I would in particular request that you read the academic paper which, though a bit tedious, does explain both the recently revived process of the Framework revision, and the 2005-2006 textbook adoption process which impacts the present work. It is also informative for how the Framework is reflected in the final textbooks.
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> We congratulate each of you for accepting assignment to the IQC. It is a critically important work you are doing for all subject areas, one that is really not as appreciated as it should be.
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> With kind regards,
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